

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 8-10 are now present in this application.

The specification and claims 1, 2 and 8-10 have been amended, and claims 6 and 7 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Objection to the Claims

Claims 1, 8 and 10 stand objected to for certain informalities. In view of the foregoing amendments, in which the Examiner's helpful suggestions have been followed, it is respectfully submitted that these objections have been addressed. Reconsideration and withdrawal of any objection to the specification are respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 USC 112

Claims 8-10 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that all claims particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the instant invention. More specifically, claim 8 has been amended to refer singularly to "a rotary member and a driving member" and to clarify that the two ends are coupled with the handle tube and the driving member. Claims 9 and 10 have also been amended to provide proper antecedent basis for the pivotal coupler and the front and rear seat rack bars, respectively. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection are respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 USC 102 and 103

Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Perego, U.S. Patent 6,692,015. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 3 stands rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Perego. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 4 and 5 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Perego in view of Ishikura, U.S. Patent 5,524,503. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the Examiner considers claims 6-10 to contain allowable subject matter. Without conceding the appropriateness of the Examiner's rejection, but simply to expedite prosecution of this application, it is noted that the limitations of objected-to but allowable claims 6 and 7 have been incorporated into independent claim 1. Accordingly, independent claim 1, as well as its dependent claims, should now be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 USC 102(e) and 103 rejections are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Because the additional prior art cited by the Examiner has been included merely to show the state of the prior art and has not been utilized to reject the claims, no further comments concerning these documents are considered necessary at this time.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

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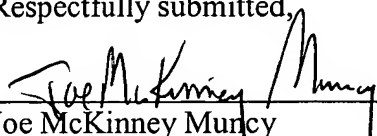
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), the Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response in connection with the present application and the required fee of \$60.00 is attached herewith.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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